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1. During this year 53 "type 424" universal locomotives have been supplied by Ganz to the Soviet Union as reparations. The weight of these locomotives is 85 tons, including coal and equipment, which weigh seven tons. The weight of the tenders is 61 tons, including coal and water, of which the weight is 35 tons. Speed is 90 kilometers per hour, traction power is 10 tons, and output (maximum) 1800 horsepower. The amount paid to Ganz for each of these locomotives was \$40,000 whereas the price for which they would normally sell on the open market would be \$90,000. Ganz is, of course, nationalized, so that this in effect means a loss of \$50,000 to the Hungarian Government.
2. In addition Ganz has supplied to the Soviet Government as reparations up to the end of May, 105 "type 50" freight engines. The weight of each engine is 80 tons, including coal and equipment, which weigh six tons; the weight of the tenders is 55 tons including coal and water, which weigh 30 tons. The speed is 55 kilometers per hour; traction power is 13 tons, and output (maximum) is 1400 horsepower. The price received by Ganz for each locomotive is \$47,000 whereas the price normally obtained on the open market would be \$95,000, thus entailing a loss of \$48,000 per locomotive to the Hungarian Government.
3. The second type of locomotive is favored by the Soviets. Ganz is to deliver 130 of these "type 50" locomotives each year from 1949 to 1952 inclusive.
4. All these locomotives are constructed for broad gauge railroads.

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